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PETITION FOR ONE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.136(a), applicant respectfully petitions for a one month extension of time to file a Response to Final Office Action. The new time for filing such Response will be October 3, 2003, extended pursuant to 37 CFR §§1.136(a) and 1.17(a).

Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-1100 for One Hundred Ten Dollars and no/100 (\$110.00) for the extension of time fee. An additional copy of this letter is provided for accounting purposes. If any other charges are incurred or credited, please charge or credit the Deposit Account shown above.

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